

**CLAIM AMENDMENTS**

1-23. (Canceled)

24. (New) A method of providing customized billing services, comprising the steps of:  
providing a plurality of software objects, at least certain of which are capable of accessing an outside source, accessing one or more other software objects, or creating one or more new software objects, each object being operative to acquire and process data specific to a bill or the recipient thereof;  
configuring a subset of the software objects to generate customized bill content for a particular bill recipient;  
repetitively invoking the software objects of the subset, and any software objects that they access or create, until all of the objects have completed the data acquisition and processing actions required to generate the customized bill content; and  
producing a bill by formatting the customized bill content for the particular bill recipient.

25. (New) The method of claim 24, wherein a portion of the customized bill content is correlated to specific fields in the bill format.

26. (New) The method of claim 24, wherein the customized bill content includes detailed information pertinent to a client billing account.

27. (New) The method of claim 26, further comprising the step of segmenting the detailed information into different portions of the bill.

28. (New) The method of claim 24, further comprising the steps of:  
generating separate images from the customized bill content; and  
correlating the separate images to at least two specific fields in the generated bill.

29. (New) The method of claim 28, wherein the separate images further comprise summary information.

30. (New) The method of claim 24, further comprising the step of providing rating services to the bill recipient.

31. (New) The method of claim 24, further comprising the step of providing tax services to the bill recipient.

32. (New) The method of claim 1, further comprising the steps of:  
selecting a language in which to produce the bill; and  
converting the customized bill content to the selected language prior to generating the bill.